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Wednesday, 15 October 2003

Security Council

10.30 a.m. . . . . 4843rd meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Timor-Leste

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor (S/2003/944)

(continued overleaf)

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Thursday, 16 October 2003, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; or tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), as from Tuesday, 14 October 2003, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

General Assembly

Open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

The first meeting of the open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, chaired by the President of the General Assembly, will be held on Friday, 17 October 2003, at 10 a.m. (conference room to be announced). *[Delegations are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level].*

03-55144

3 p.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Iraq

Afternoon[1] . . . . . 4844th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

[1] Following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 32nd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

3 p.m. . . . . 33rd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [39 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*

(a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/254)

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General on proposed revisions to programme 8 of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005: United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (A/58/83)

(iii) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III, section B, programme 8; chapter IV, section B)

(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)

Main Committees

First Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . 9th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 62 to 80): *item 62* (A/58/202); *item 63* (A/58/128); *item 64* (A/58/29); *item 65*; *item 66*; *item 67*; *item 68*; *item 69* (A/58/373); *item 70* (A/58/137, A/58/137 (Part II)); *item 71*; *item 72*; *item 73* (A/58/117, A/58/117/Add.1, A/58/117/Add.2, A/58/129, A/58/129/Add.1, A/58/130, A/58/138, A/58/162, A/58/162/Add.1, A/58/176, A/58/176/Add.1, A/58/207, A/58/208, A/58/208/Add.1, A/58/406, A/58/848, A/C.1/58/4, A/C.1/58/L.1, A/C.1/58/L.2); *item 74* (A/58/122, A/58/139, A/58/177, A/58/190, A/58/203, A/58/274); *item 75* (A/58/27, A/58/42, A/58/259, A/58/316); *item 76* (A/58/259, A/58/137 (Part II)); *item 77* (A/58/163); *item 78* (A/58/132, A/58/132/Add.1, A/58/132/Add.2); *item 79* (A/58/385); and *item 80* (other documents: A/C.1/58/1, A/C.1/58/2, A/C.1/58/3 and A/C.1/58/INF.1)

Speakers:

India

Israel

Sri Lanka

Tunisia

Syrian Arab Republic

Kuwait

Saudi Arabia

Armenia

Colombia

Malawi

Guinea

Yemen

Dominican Republic

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Georgia

Congo

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [85]

Second Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . 11th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation . . . . . [93]

(d) Implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (A/58/327 and A/58/204)

Introduction and general discussion

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 11th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . 12th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women (A/58/3[1], A/58/38 (Supplement No. 38), A/58/161, A/58/167, A/58/167/Add.1, A/58/168, A/58/169, A/58/374, A/58/341, A/58/417 and A/58/16 (excerpt)) . . . . . [110]

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" (A/58/3[1] and A/58/166) [111]

Introduction, dialogue and general discussion

[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m . . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/58/11, A/58/63, A/56/767 and A/58/189) . . . . . [124]

Conclusion of general discussion

Morning[1] . . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/58/11, A/58/63, A/56/767 and A/58/189))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 6th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (A/58/37, A/58/37/Corr.1, A/58/116, A/58/116/Add.1, A/58/78-S/2003/541, A/58/94-S/2003/642, A/58/131-S/2003/703, A/58/271-S/2003/808, A/58/302, A/58/315-S/2003/845, A/58/361-S/2003/877, A/58/390-S/2003/916, A/58/424-S/2003/972, A/58/425-S/2003/976 and A/C.6/58/L.10) [156]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

United Nations Fund for International Partnerships (UNFIP)

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [agenda item 104 (b)]
(29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

All delegations wishing to participate, including those already inscribed, in any of eight ministerial-level round tables, to be held on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe the name of the participating Minister or the Head of delegation on the list of participants in round tables on the following themes:

Round tables 1 and 2 (morning): *"Regional dimensions of the implementation of the results of the International Conference on Financing for Development"*

Round tables 3 and 4 (morning): *"Coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development"*

Round tables 5 and 6 (afternoon): *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the achievement of internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration"*

Round tables 7 and 8 (afternoon): *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the promotion of sustainable development, sustained economic growth and the eradication of poverty with a view to achieving an equitable global economic system".*

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables.

Inscriptions by institutional and non-institutional stakeholders

Each round table will also include the following accredited participants: 5 representatives of observers in the General Assembly, entities of the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations other than observers; 3 representatives of civil society; and 3 representatives of the private sector. Their distribution in the round tables will follow the practice used in the International Conference on Financing for Development. For information and inscriptions, please contact the Financing for Development Office (e-mail ffdoffice@un.org; Web site www.un.org/esa/ffd).

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Second Committee

Briefing

A keynote address to the Second Committee delegates will be made by Mr. Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel Laureate and Professor of Economics and Finance, Columbia University, on "Prospects for Economic Growth and Future of Development Cooperation", today, 15 October 2003, from 9.30 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Economic and Social Council

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

11 a.m.–12 noon. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 15 October 2003

JUSCANZ Group *(Second Committee: environment matters)*

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women" (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) *(at the ambassadorial level)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Open-ended informal consultations on "Small arms and light weapons" (First Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)

11 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Arab Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

11.45 a.m.–1.15 p.m. . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on draft resolutions on the preparation for and observance of the International Year of the Family and on the importance of the guidance and the role of parents in the care, control and development of children (agenda item 106) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Benin)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(on Second Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committees matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly" (agenda item 105) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Enhancing capacity-building of global public health" (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Second United Nations Coordination Meeting on International Migration

The Second United Nations Coordination Meeting on International Migration, organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held *today*, 15 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. An information note, programme of work and papers submitted are available on the following Web site: www.unpopulation.org. For further information, please contact the office of Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director, Population Division (tel. 1 (212) 963-3179).

Panel discussion on "Capital Flows to Africa: Potentials for Financing New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa)

There will be a panel discussion on "Capital Flows to Africa: Potentials for Financing New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)", organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), *today*, 15 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The panel will be co-moderated by Mr. Ibrahim A. Gambari, Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Africa, and Prof. Wiseman Nkuhlu, Chairman of the NEPAD Steering Committee. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Discussion on improving the effectiveness of the First Committee (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

Members of the Western European and Other States Group are invited to participate in a discussion on improving the effectiveness of the First Committee, organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States, to be held *today*, 15 October 2003, from 2 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 15 October 2003

Room S-226

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 16 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 34th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

3 p.m. . . . . 35th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/58/432)[1] . . . . . [124]
2. Report of the Economic and Social Council: draft resolution (A/58/L.1) . . . . . [12]
3. New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [39 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*
   - (a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support
     - (i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/254)
     - (ii) Note by the Secretary-General on proposed revisions to programme 8 of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005: United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (A/58/83)
     - (iii) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III, section B, programme 8; chapter IV, section B)
   - (b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)
4. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters . . . . . [56]
5. Report of the Security Council (A/58/2) . . . . . [11]

[1] To be issued.

Main Committees

First Committee

3 p.m. . . . . 10th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m. . . . . 9th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Second Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 12th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

3 p.m. . . . . 13th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Third Committee

10 a.m.	13th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 1

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.	7th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Working Group on the Scope of Legal Protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel

Morning[1]	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

[1] Following the adjournment of the 7th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Thursday, 16 October 2003, *from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3*; and on Friday, 17 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law

The Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law will meet on Thursday, 16 October 2003, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 219th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Thursday, 16 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The meeting will be open to observers. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee could be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Chairman of the Committee or to the Secretary of the Committee (room S-3420B; fax 1 (212) 963-6430) any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Second United Nations Coordination Meeting on International Migration

The Second United Nations Coordination Meeting on International Migration, organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will continue on Thursday, 16 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. An information note, programme of work and papers submitted are available on the following Web site: www.unpopulation.org. For further information, please contact the office of Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director, Population Division (tel. 1 (212) 963-3179).

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women" (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women" (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, as follows: Thursday, 16 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and Friday, 17 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Mason Group *(on First Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Mason Group *(on First Committee matters)* on Thursday, 16 October 2003, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity (agenda item 108) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity (agenda item 108) (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, will be held on Thursday, 16 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Briefing by the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity

There will be a briefing, for all interested members of delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations, by Dr. Hamdallah Zedan, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity, on the latest developments on the entry into force of the Cartagena Protocol (11 September 2003) and for an update on the preparations for the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (Malaysia, 9-20 February 2004) and on the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (Malaysia, 23-27 February 2004). The briefing will be held on Thursday, 16 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Briefing by the Management Committee of the Special Court for Sierra Leone

There will be a briefing by the Management Committee of the Special Court for Sierra Leone for members of the Group of Interested States for the Special Court and other interested delegations, on Thursday, 16 October 2003, 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the implementation of human rights instruments (item 117 (a)) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the implementation of human rights instruments (item 117 (a)) (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, on Thursday, 16 October 2003, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Open-ended consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and political participation" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and Political Participation", organized by the United States Mission, on Thursday and Friday, 16 and 17 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Enhancing capacity-building of global public health" (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health", organized by the Permanent Mission of China, will be held on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Briefing on UNCTAD new technical cooperation programme

The New York Office of UNCTAD will hold a briefing on its new technical cooperation programme on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

World Bank seminar on "A Dialogue on Development and Communication"

There will be a seminar on "A Dialogue on Development and Communication", organized by the World Bank, on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. A presentation will be made by Dr. Ian Goldin, Vice-President for External Affairs and United Nations Affairs, World Bank. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Office of the Special Representative to the United Nations, World Bank (tel. 1 (212) 355-5112; fax 1 (212) 355-4523).

JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)* on 21 and 28 October 2003 from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Panel discussion on international cooperation in tax matters

There will be a panel discussion on international cooperation in tax matters, organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Abdel H. Bouab, Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8406); or Mr. Masa Ohyama (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695).

Symposia on population and development

The Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Office of the Permanent Observer of Partners in Population and Development to the United Nations are jointly organizing four symposia, to be held at Headquarters, as follows:

Symposium I on "Population and the Millennium Development Goals": Wednesday, 22 October 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m, in a conference room to be announced;

Symposium II on "Family Planning, Reproductive Health and Development": Monday, 3 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium;

Symposium III on "Empowerment of Women": Monday, 10 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium; and

Symposium IV on "Population and HIV/AIDS": Wednesday, 19 November, from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend [For further information: tel. 1 (212) 457-1828; e-mail rgarvey@ppdsec.org].

Panel discussion on microcredit

There will be a panel discussion on microcredit, co-organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Microcredit Summit Campaign, on the occasion of the release of the *State of the Microcredit Summit Campaign Report*, on Monday, 3 November 2003, from 1 to 2.15 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Carol Sakubita (tel. 1 (917) 367-5710).

Announcements

Launch of the Web site of the United Nations Office of the Special Adviser on Africa

The United Nations Office of the Special Adviser on Africa is pleased to announce the launch of its Web site www.un.org/esa/africa/index.htm.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the NAM Caucus Room.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Monday, 13 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

28th plenary meeting

Organization of work of the fifty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: second report of the General Committee (A/58/250/Add.1) . . . . . [8]

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-eighth session an additional item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia" and to allocate the item to the Fifth Committee.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-eighth session an additional item entitled "Admission of the International Criminal Court to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund" and to allocate the item to the Fifth Committee.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to also consider agenda item 108 (Crime prevention and criminal justice) directly in plenary meeting for the sole purpose of taking action on the draft "United Nations Convention against Corruption".

Notification by the Secretary-General under article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations: note by the Secretary-General (A/58/354) . . . . . [7]

The General Assembly took note of document A/58/354.

Report of the Security Council (A/58/2). . . . . [11]

The representative of the United States, in his capacity as President of the Security Council, made a statement in the course of which he introduced the report of the Security Council (A/58/2).

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Namibia, Brazil, Nigeria, Algeria, Jamaica, Italy, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Peru, Egypt, Spain, Malaysia, Ukraine (on behalf of the GUUAM), Ghana and Canada.

29th plenary meeting *Report of the Security Council (A/58/2)*. . . . . [11]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 11.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Viet Nam, Saudi Arabia, Guatemala, the Republic of Korea, Cuba, Singapore, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Azerbaijan, Romania, Belarus, Angola and Venezuela.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Armenia and Azerbaijan.

Tuesday, 14 October 2003

Security Council

4841st meeting *The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question*

Letter dated 9 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/973)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Argentina, Bahrain, Brazil, Cuba, Egypt, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Lebanon, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Nepal, New Zealand, Norway, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, the Sudan, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 13 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations (S/2003/988), requesting an invitation to participate in the meeting in accordance with the Council's previous practice. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the previous practice in this regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the discussion.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 9 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations (S/2003/975), the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Yahya Mahmassani, Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 13 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations (S/2003/989), the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to the Deputy Permanent Observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to the United Nations, His Excellency Mr. Ahmad Hajihosseini.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 13 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, Mr. Papa Louis Fall.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Permanent Observer of Palestine made a statement.

The representative of Israel made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, the United Kingdom, Spain, Bulgaria, the Russian Federation, Mexico, Chile, Guinea, France, Germany, China, Angola, Pakistan and Cameroon, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Yahya Mahmassani.

Statements were made by the representatives of Malaysia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Yemen, Egypt, Cuba, Jordan, the United Arab Emirates, Japan, Bahrain, Qatar, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Argentina, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Tunisia, Brazil, Indonesia and Turkey.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by His Excellency Mr. Ahmad Hajihosseini.

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries of Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, and the EFTA countries members of the European Economic Area, Iceland and Liechtenstein, which aligned themselves with the statement), Norway, New Zealand, Lebanon, the Sudan and Nepal.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Papa Louis Fall.

The Permanent Observer of Palestine made a further statement.

The representative of Israel made a further statement.

4842nd meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Letter dated 9 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/973)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the decision taken at the 4841st meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Israel to participate in the discussion.

In accordance with the decision taken at the 4841st meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to participate in the discussion.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/2003/980), submitted by Guinea, Malaysia, Pakistan and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2003/980) received 10 votes in favour, one against (United States of America), and 4 abstentions (Bulgaria, Cameroon, Germany and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), and was not adopted, owing to the negative vote of a permanent member of the Council.

Following the vote, the President, in his capacity as the representative of the United States made a statement.

The Permanent Observer of Palestine made a statement.

The representative of Israel made a statement.

The Permanent Observer of Palestine made a further statement.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

30th plenary meeting

Report of the Security Council (A/58/2). . . . . [11]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 11.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Indonesia, Slovenia, Austria, the Gambia, Kazakhstan, Paraguay, Mozambique and Liechtenstein.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 11.

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters . . . . . [56]

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, Japan, Egypt, Kuwait, Italy, Algeria, the Russian Federation, Brazil, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Germany and Bahrain.

31st plenary meeting

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters . . . . . [56]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 56.

Statements were made by the representatives of France, Ukraine (on behalf of the GUUAM), the Republic of Korea, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the United Arab Emirates, San Marino, India, Cuba, South Africa, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Tunisia, Sweden, Belgium, China, Venezuela, New Zealand, Croatia, Myanmar, Botswana, Singapore, the Syrian Arab Republic, Iceland, the Sudan, Mongolia and Austria.

Main Committees

First Committee

8th meeting

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements made by the representatives of Cameroon, Croatia, Bahrain, Thailand, Togo, Morocco, Myanmar (on behalf of ASEAN), the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Mali, Lesotho, Singapore, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Cyprus.

Right of reply

In the exercise of the right of reply, the representatives of Turkey and Cyprus made statements.

A statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

7th meeting

Effects of atomic radiation . . . . . [81]

The Committee concluded its general debate with statements by the representatives of Cuba, Myanmar, Pakistan, Thailand (on behalf of the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)), India, the Syrian Arab Republic, Japan and Egypt.

The representative of Brazil, as Chairman of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (UNSCEAR), introduced draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.5 and announced that Australia, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Egypt, France, India, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, the Netherlands, Pakistan, Portugal, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and South Africa had joined in co-sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.5 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded consideration of agenda item 81.

Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations . . . . . [87]

The Committee adopted draft resolution I, contained in document A/58/23 (Part III), by a recorded vote of 129 to none, with 5 abstentions.

The representatives of India, Kuwait and Costa Rica informed the Committee that, had their delegations been present, they would have voted in favour of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, the representative of Qatar requested the Committee to amend their vote from abstaining to voting in favour of the draft resolution.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of the United Kingdom.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 87.

Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories . . . . . [88]

The Committee adopted draft resolution II, contained in document A/58/23 (Part III), by a recorded vote of 135 to 2, with 2 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of Argentina.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 88.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations . . . . . [89]

The Committee adopted draft resolution III, contained in document A/58/23 (Part III), by a recorded vote of 93 to none, with 45 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of Italy (on behalf of European Union).

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 89.

Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories . . . . . [90]

The Chairman announced that Indonesia had become a co-sponsor of draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.2.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.2 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 90.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples . . . . . [19]

The Secretary informed the Committee that there were no programme budget implications on the proposals related to the item.

Question of Gibraltar

The Committee adopted draft decision A/C.4/58/L.3 without a vote.

Question of New Caledonia

The Committee adopted draft resolution IV, contained in document A/58/23 (Part III), without a vote.

Question of Tokelau

The Committee adopted draft resolution V, contained in document A/58/23 (Part III), without a vote.

Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcairn, Saint Helena, Turks and Caicos Island and the United States Virgin Islands

The Committee adopted draft resolution VI, contained in document A/58/23 (Part III), without a vote.

Statements in explanation of their position were made by the representatives of Argentina, Spain and the United Kingdom.

Question of Western Sahara

Following statements by the Chairman, as well as by the representatives of India, Honduras, Brazil, Algeria, Indonesia, Zambia, Italy (on behalf of the European Union), Senegal, Morocco, the Russian Federation and Malaysia, the Committee decided to defer action on draft resolution on the Question of Western Sahara (A/C.4/58/L.4) for 48 hours.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the Chairman, as well as by the representatives of South Africa and Malaysia.

Second Committee

9th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation . . . . . [93]

(a) Women in development

(b) Human resources development

(c) International migration and development

Operational activities for development . . . . . [97]

(a) Operational activities for development

The Committee began its consideration of the agenda items.

Introductory statements were made by the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women, Department for Economic and Social Affairs; the Executive Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women; the Director of the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department for Economic and Social Affairs; and the Director of the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

The Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States made a statement.

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries (Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Venezuela, Sri Lanka, India, Croatia, Chile and Guyana.

The representative of the International Organization for Migration made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Labour Organization and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

10th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of items 93 (a), (b) and (c) and 97 (a).

Statements were made by the representatives of Jamaica, Burkina Faso, Ecuador, Indonesia, Canada, the Philippines, Uruguay (on behalf of MERCOSUR), Mexico, Tunisia, Lebanon, Ukraine, Israel, Armenia, Nepal, Kenya and Azerbaijan.

The representative of the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

The representative of the United Nations Children's Fund made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on items 93 (a), (b) and (c) and 97 (a).

Deadline for submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under items 93 (a), (b) and (c) and 97 (a) was Wednesday, 15 October, at 1 p.m.

Third Committee

10th meeting

Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly . . . . . [105]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.9

The representative of Chile introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Bangladesh, Cameroon, Cape Verde, China, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Kenya, the Philippines, Qatar, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa and the United Republic of Tanzania joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family . . . . . [106]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.7

The representative of Mongolia introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of his delegation and Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, India, Myanmar and Panama.

Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone and the Sudan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.8

The representative of the Philippines introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Venezuela.

Argentina, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia and Sierra Leone joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.11

The representative of Senegal introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Belgium, Benin, Cape Verde, Chile, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Mali, the Netherlands, Poland, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Venezuela.

Argentina, Cameroon, the Congo, Costa Rica, Croatia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Japan, Kenya, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Norway, the Republic of Moldova, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Republic of Tanzania joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Crime prevention and criminal justice . . . . . [108]

International drug control . . . . . [109]

The Committee resumed its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Liechtenstein, the Philippines, Uganda, Cuba, India, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Belarus, Pakistan, Romania, Viet Nam, Nicaragua, Guatemala and Mozambique.

The observer for the Holy See also made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda items 108 and 109.

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing . . . . . [107]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.10

The representative of Morocco introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77, China and Mexico.

Organization of work

The representative of Egypt raised a question, to which the Chairman responded.

Fifth Committee

5th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [124]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the Committee on Contributions, Mr. Ugo Sessi, introduced the report of that Committee (A/58/11).

The Controller introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/58/63 and A/58/189).

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to a letter dated 27 December 2001 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/56/767).

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), New Zealand (on behalf of Australia, Canada and New Zealand), Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), the Syrian Arab Republic (on behalf of the Arab Group), Thailand, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, China, Turkey and Bosnia and Herzegovina (on behalf of the 5 successor States of the former Yugoslavia).

Pattern of conferences (A/58/32, A/58/194, A/58/194/Corr.1, A/58/194/Corr.2, A/58/213, A/57/783, A/57/809, A/58/7, A/58/7/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.1) . . . . . [125]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Nigeria (on behalf of the African Group), the Russian Federation, the Syrian Arab Republic, Japan and China.

The Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly Affairs and Conference Management replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin on Thursday, 16 October, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdelmalek Bouheddou (Algeria), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Trade and Development Board
Fiftieth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Tuesday, 14 October 2003

951st–952nd plenary meetings

Review of developments and issues in the post-Doha work programme of particular concern to developing countries . . . . . [5]

The Board concluded its general debate on the item and heard statements by the representatives of Norway, Nepal, Algeria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Canada, Cuba, the United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela and Mexico, as well as by the representatives of the International Monetary Fund, the African Union and the Economic Commission for Africa.

Consideration of other relevant reports: report on UNCTAD's assistance to the Palestinian People . . . . . [6 (b)]

The Board concluded its general debate on the item and heard statements by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Oman (on behalf of the Asian Group and China), Zimbabwe (on behalf of the African Group), Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, as well as the associated countries of Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, which aligned themselves with this statement), the Syrian Arab Republic, Egypt, Algeria, Israel, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Afghanistan, Lebanon, Jordan, the United States, Tunisia and Indonesia, as well as by the representative of the League of Arab States.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide. New York, 9 December 1948

Accession: Sudan (13 October 2003)[1]

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Ratification: Sudan (13 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "Water for Life: Fresh Perspectives on the World's Water Crisis". The briefing will be held on Thursday, 16 October 2003, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The briefing will feature Mr. Xolisa Mfundiso Mabhongo, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of South Africa to the United Nations; Ms. Marcia Brewster, Senior Economic Adviser, Department of Economic and Social Affairs; and Mr. John Todd, Co-founder, Water Stewards Inc. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

Ceremony on the occasion of 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger"

There will be a special ceremony on the occasion of the 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger", organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), on Friday 17 October 2003, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-6036 or 963-6319).

Ceremony on the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

On the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, a commemoration, organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the International Movement ATD Fourth World, will take place on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 10.30 to 11.45 a.m. in the United Nations Garden. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, will deliver the Secretary-General's message for the occasion. Members of permanent missions, United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Felice Llamas, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-2924); or Mr. Rolando Gómez, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-2744).

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A/58/368	Items 133 and 134 of the provisional agenda — Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 — Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 — Supplementary estimates arising in respect of Security Council resolution 1503 (2003) on the creation of a new position of Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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A/58/398	Item 121 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Comprehensive review of the post structure of the United Nations Secretariat — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

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Fifth Committee

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S/2003/954	Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/981	Letter dated 6 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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1. Adoption of the agenda
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[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 4844th meeting.

General Assembly

Open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

The first meeting of the open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, chaired by the President of the General Assembly, will be held on Friday, 17 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. An Informal Note by the President of the General Assembly was faxed to all missions on Wednesday, 15 October 2003 *[Delegations are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level]*.

Tenth emergency special session

The resumed tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly will be held on Monday, 20 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall, to consider agenda item 5 (Illegal Israeli actions in occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory) (A/ES-10/242 and A/ES-10/243).

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General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

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3 p.m. . . . . . **35th plenary meeting** . . . . . **General Assembly Hall**

1. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/58/432) . . . . . [124]

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3. New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [39 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*

   (a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support

      (i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/254)

      (ii) Note by the Secretary-General on proposed revisions to programme 8 of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005: United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (A/58/83)

      (iii) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III, section B, programme 8; chapter IV, section B)

   (b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)

4. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters . . . . . [56]

5. Report of the Security Council (A/58/2) . . . . . [11]

Main Committees

First Committee

3 p.m. . . . . . **10th meeting** . . . . . **Conference Room 4**

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 62 to 80): *item 62* (A/58/202); *item 63* (A/58/128); *item 64* (A/58/29); *item 65*; *item 66*; *item 67*; *item 68*; *item 69* (A/58/373); *item 70* (A/58/137, A/58/137 (Part II)); *item 71*; *item 72*; *item 73* (A/58/117, A/58/117/Add.1, A/58/117/Add.2, A/58/129, A/58/129/Add.1, A/58/130, A/58/138, A/58/162, A/58/162/Add.1, A/58/176, A/58/176/Add.1, A/58/207, A/58/208, A/58/208/Add.1, A/58/406, A/58/848, A/C.1/58/4, A/C.1/58/L.1, A/C.1/58/L.2); *item 74* (A/58/122, A/58/139, A/58/177, A/58/190, A/58/203, A/58/274); *item 75* (A/58/27, A/58/42, A/58/259, A/58/316); *item 76* (A/58/259, A/58/137 (Part II)); *item 77* (A/58/163); *item 78* (A/58/132, A/58/132/Add.1 and A/58/132/Add.2); *item 79* (A/58/385); and *item 80* (other documents: A/C.1/58/1, A/C.1/58/2, A/C.1/58/3 and A/C.1/58/INF.1)

Speakers:

Bulgaria

Haiti

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal exchange of views on the methods of work of the First Committee

[1] Following the adjournment of the 10th meeting of the First Committee.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 9th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples . . . . . [19]

2. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [85]

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 12th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

3–6 p.m. . . . . 13th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Environment and sustainable development (A/58/25 and A/58/204) . . . . . [94]

(a) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005 (A/58/164)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa (A/58/158)

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity (A/58/191)

(e) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (A/58/277)

(f) Protection of the Global Climate for present and future generations of mankind (A/58/308)

(g) Sustainable mountain development (A/58/134)

Introduction and general discussion

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 13th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . 14th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women (A/58/3[1], A/58/38 (Supplement No. 38), A/58/161, A/58/167, A/58/167/Add.1, A/58/168, A/58/169, A/58/374, A/58/341 and A/58/417) . . . . [110]

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" (A/58/3[1] and A/58/166) [111]

Continuation of general discussion

[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m . . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/58/5/Add.5, A/58/114, A/58/97, A/58/97/Add.1 and A/58/384))

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: report of the Joint Inspection Unit on United Nations system revenue-producing activities (A/57/707, A/57/707/Add.1, A/58/7, A/58/7/Corr.1, Chap. II, 1S 3.18.19))

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: report of the Joint Inspection Unit on reforming the Field Service category of personnel in United Nations peace operations (A/57/78, A/57/78/Add.1 and A/57/434, paras. 2-4)) and report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on audit of the establishment and management of mission subsistence allowance rates (A/56/648))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 125 (Pattern of conferences (A/58/32, A/58/194, A/58/194/Corr.1, A/58/194/Corr.2, A/58/213, A/57/783, A/57/809, A/58/7, A/58/7/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.1))

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [agenda item 104 (b)]
(29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

All delegations wishing to participate, including those already inscribed, in any of eight ministerial-level round tables, to be held on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe the name of the participating Minister or the Head of delegation on the list of participants in round tables on the following themes:

Round tables 1 and 2 (morning): *"Regional dimensions of the implementation of the results of the International Conference on Financing for Development"*

Round tables 3 and 4 (morning): *"Coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development"*

Round tables 5 and 6 (afternoon): *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the achievement of internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration"*

Round tables 7 and 8 (afternoon): *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the promotion of sustainable development, sustained economic growth and the eradication of poverty with a view to achieving an equitable global economic system"*.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables.

Inscriptions by institutional and non-institutional stakeholders

Each round table will also include the following accredited participants: 5 representatives of observers in the General Assembly, entities of the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations other than observers; 3 representatives of civil society; and 3 representatives of the private sector. Their distribution in the round tables will follow the practice used in the International Conference on Financing for Development. For information and inscriptions, please contact the Financing for Development Office (e-mail ffdoffice@un.org; Web site www.un.org/esa/ffd).

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

3–6 p.m. . . . . 219th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Consideration and adoption of the draft report of the Committee
2. Other matters

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 3

Other meetings

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Thursday, 16 October 2003

Open-ended informal consultations on draft resolution on the implementation of the world programme of action concerning disabled persons: towards a society for all in the twenty-first century (agenda item 106) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Phillippines)

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Mason Group *(on First Committee matters)*

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Iceland)

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Briefing for non-governmental organizations (NGOs) on the informal consultations of the First Committee on its methods of work

10 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women" (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity (agenda item 108) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the global road safety crisis (organized by the Permanent Mission of Oman)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

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Open-ended informal consultations on draft resolutions on the preparation for and observance of the International Year of the Family and on the importance of the guidance and the role of parents in the care, control and development of children (agenda item 106) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Benin)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Enhancing capacity-building of global public health" (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (item 117 (a)) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

2–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Open-ended consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and political participation" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(on Second Committees matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Iceland)

4–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Arab Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

4.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Chamber

Second United Nations Coordination Meeting on International Migration

The Second United Nations Coordination Meeting on International Migration, organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will continue *today*, 16 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5, and from 3 to 6 p.m., in a conference room to be announced. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. An information note, programme of work and papers submitted are available on the following Web site: www.unpopulation.org. For further information, please contact the office of Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director, Population Division (tel. 1 (212) 963-3179).

Briefing by the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity

There will be a briefing, for all interested members of delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations, by Dr. Hamdallah Zedan, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity, on the latest developments on the entry into force of the Cartagena Protocol (11 September 2003) and for an update on the preparations for the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (Malaysia, 9-20 February 2004) and on the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (Malaysia, 23-27 February 2004). The briefing will be held *today*, 16 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Briefing by the Management Committee of the Special Court for Sierra Leone

There will be a briefing by the Management Committee of the Special Court for Sierra Leone for members of the Group of Interested States for the Special Court and other interested delegations, *today*, 16 October 2003, from 2 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Thursday, 16 October 2003

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Dileep Nair, Under-Secretary-General for Oversight Services (to present the annual report of the Office of the Internal Oversight Services (A/58/364))

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held on Friday, 17 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee

Panel discussion

As part of the work of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly in the economic and social fields, there will be a panel discussion on "Microcredit, Poverty Eradication and the Empowerment of Women", organized by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 23 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include H.E. Mrs. María Eugenia Brizuela de Ávila, Minister for Foreign Affairs of El Salvador; Mr. Anwarul K. Chowdhury, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States; Mr. Rupert Scofield, Executive Director of the Foundation for International Community Assistance (FINCA); Mr. Normand Lauzon, Executive Director of United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF); and Mr. René Azokli, Managing Director of PADME.

Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4201; or e-mail ecosocinfo@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session 2003

There will be a meeting of the resumed substantive session 2003, on Friday, 31 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council, on the following outstanding matters before the resumed substantive session 2003:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/2003/104 and E/2003/105[1]) [1]

   Elections[2]:

   Commission on Science and Technology for Development

   Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

   United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (E/2003/L.3/Add.13)

   Committee for the United Nations Population Award

   Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

   Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

   International Narcotics Control Board (E/2003/L.3/Add.12)

2. Regional cooperation (E/2003/15/Add.2)[1] . . . . . [10]

3. Economic and environmental questions. . . . . [13]

   (h) International cooperation in tax matters

   (i) United Nations Forum on Forests (E/2003/42)

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[1] To be issued.

[2] For additional information on elections, please contact Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic Ideal (agenda item 23) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Greece)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal (agenda item 23), organized by the Permanent Mission of Greece, on Friday, 17 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women" (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women" (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, on Friday, 17 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnership" (agenda item 46) (Second Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnership" (agenda item 46) (Second Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on Friday, 17 October, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room C.

Panel discussion on NPT States parties reporting (First Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

A panel discussion on NPT States parties reporting (First Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, will take place on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.15 in Conference Room 6. All NPT States parties are invited to attend.

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Briefing on UNCTAD new technical cooperation programme

The New York Office of UNCTAD will hold a briefing on its new technical cooperation programme on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

World Bank seminar on "A Dialogue on Development and Communication"

There will be a seminar on "A Dialogue on Development and Communication", organized by the World Bank, on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. A presentation will be made by Dr. Ian Goldin, Vice-President for External Affairs and United Nations Affairs, World Bank. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Office of the Special Representative to the United Nations, World Bank (tel. 1 (212) 355-5112; fax 1 (212) 355-4523).

Open-ended consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and political participation" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and Political Participation", organized by the United States Mission, on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)* on 21 and 28 October 2003 from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Presentation of the results of evaluations on bilateral participation in PRSP processes

There will be a presentation of the results of evaluations on bilateral participation in Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers (PRSP) processes, organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany and Switzerland, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room B. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion on international cooperation in tax matters

There will be a panel discussion on international cooperation in tax matters, organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Abdel H. Bouab, Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8406); or Mr. Masa Ohyama (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695).

Pacific Islands Forum: Working Group on Oceans *(Sixth Committee experts)*

The Working Group on Oceans of the Pacific Islands Forum *(Sixth Committee experts* will hold a meeting on Wednesday, 22 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Symposia on population and development

The Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Office of the Permanent Observer of Partners in Population and Development to the United Nations are jointly organizing four symposia, to be held at Headquarters, as follows:

Symposium I on "Population and the Millennium Development Goals": Wednesday, 22 October 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m, in a conference room to be announced;

Symposium II on "Family Planning, Reproductive Health and Development": Monday, 3 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium;

Symposium III on "Empowerment of Women": Monday, 10 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium; and

Symposium IV on "Population and HIV/AIDS": Wednesday, 19 November, from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend [For further information: tel. 1 (212) 457-1828; e-mail rgarvey@ppdsec.org].

Panel discussion on microcredit

There will be a panel discussion on microcredit, co-organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Microcredit Summit Campaign, on the occasion of the release of the *State of the Microcredit Summit Campaign Report*, on Monday, 3 November 2003, from 1 to 2.15 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Carol Sakubita (tel. 1 (917) 367-5710).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the NAM Caucus Room.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 15 October 2003

Security Council

4843rd meeting

The situation in Timor-Leste

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor (S/2003/944)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Kamalesh Sharma, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Timor-Leste and Head of Mission.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Sharma.

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Bulgaria, Pakistan, Spain, France, Germany, Angola, Guinea, the Russian Federation, Chile, the United Kingdom, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cameroon and Mexico, and by the President, in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

The Council heard statements made by the representatives of Timor-Leste, Portugal, Philippines, Australia, Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries of Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, and the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, which aligned themselves with the statement), Singapore, Japan, India, Malaysia and New Zealand.

Mr. Sharma made a further statement.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

32nd plenary meeting

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support . . . . . [39]

(a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/254)

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General on proposed revisions to programme 8 of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005: United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (A/58/83)

(iv) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III section B, programme 8, chapter IV, section B)

(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)

The General Assembly decided to hear a statement by the observer of the Holy See in the debate on agenda item 39.

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Leonardo Santos Simão, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique (on behalf of the African Union), as well as by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), Norway, Egypt, Algeria, Burkina Faso, the Russian Federation, France, the United States, South Africa, the United Kingdom, Japan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Guyana, Angola and Cuba.

Programme of work

The General Assembly decided to hear statements by the observer of the Holy See in the debates on agenda items 40 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disasters relief assistance of the United nations, including special economic assistance), 44 (Culture of peace) and 48 (Fifty-fifth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights).

33rd plenary meeting

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support . . . . . [39]

(a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support

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(iii) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III, section B, programme 8, chapter IV, section B)

(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (b).

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the group 77 and China), India, Ukraine, Brazil, the Republic of Korea and Myanmar, as well as by H.E. The Honourable Saidu Balarabe Samaila, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Nigeria, and the representatives of Israel, Lesotho, Botswana, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Tunisia, Jamaica and Gabon.

Main Committees

First Committee

9th meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements made by the representatives of India, Israel, Tunisia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Armenia, Colombia, Malawi, Guinea, Yemen, the Dominican Republic, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Georgia and the Congo.

Right of reply

In the exercise of the right of reply, the representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement.

A statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

8th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [85]

The Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations made a statement.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate on the item the same day, at 6 p.m.

Second Committee

11th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation . . . . . [93]

(d) Implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-item and heard an introductory statement by the Director of the Development Policy Analysis Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Lebanon.

Deadline for submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under the item was Thursday, 16 October, at 1 p.m.

Third Committee

11th–12th meetings

The summary of the 11th and 12th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2003/200).

Fifth Committee

6th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/58/11, A/58/63, A/56/767 and A/58/189) . . . . . [124]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Jordan, the United Arab Emirates, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Cuba, Bahrain, Switzerland, the United States, Trinidad and Tobago, Kuwait, Ukraine, India, Argentina, Guyana and Qatar.

The representative of Colombia also made a statement.

The Chairman of the Committee on Contributions and the Chief of the Contributions Service, Department of Management, replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, Wednesday, 15 October, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of H.E. Ms. Inga Eriksson Fogh (Sweden).

Organization of work

The Chairman also made a statement.

Sixth Committee

6th meeting

Measures to eliminate international terrorism . . . . . [156]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 156.

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996 and of the Working Group on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/27 of 19 November 2002 introduced the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the work of its seventh session (A/58/37 and A/58/37/Corr.1) and of the Working Group (A/C.6/58/L.10).

Statements were made by the representatives of Norway, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Venezuela, the United Arab Emirates, Cuba, Singapore, the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Organization of Islamic Conference), Switzerland, India, Bahrain, Lebanon, Afghanistan, Uganda, Italy (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey and the EFTA country, member of the European Economic Area, Liechtenstein), the Sudan, the United Republic of Tanzania, Turkey, Pakistan and Ecuador.

The Committee decided to continue its debate on this agenda item on Friday, 17 October 2003.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Preparatory Committee for UNCTAD XI
First session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Wednesday, 15 October 2003

1st meeting

The Secretary-General of UNCTAD made a presentation.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following countries: Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Zimbabwe (on behalf of the African Group), Oman (on behalf of the Asian Group and China), Barbados (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group), Benin (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Bangladesh, Japan, Nepal, the Islamic Republic of Iran, China and Switzerland.

The Preparatory Committee took a number of decisions on the organization of its work and on the future schedule of meetings.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Notification pursuant to article 18 (13): Ecuador (7 October 2003)[1]

International Convention on Maritime Liens and Mortgages, 1993. Geneva, 6 May 1993

Accession: Syrian Arab Republic (8 October 2003)[1]

International Cocoa Agreement, 2001. Geneva, 2 March 2001

Accession: Ecuador (13 October 2003)[1]

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996

Consent to be bound: Poland (14 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "Water for Life: Fresh Perspectives on the World's Water Crisis". The briefing will be held on *today*, 16 October 2003, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The briefing will feature Mr. Xolisa Mfundiso Mabhongo, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of South Africa to the United Nations; Ms. Marcia Brewster, Senior Economic Adviser, Department of Economic and Social Affairs; and Mr. John Todd, Co-founder, Water Stewards Inc. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

Ceremony on the occasion of 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger"

There will be a special ceremony on the occasion of the 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger", organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), on Friday 17 October 2003, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-6036 or 963-6319).

Ceremony on the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

On the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, a commemoration, organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the International Movement ATD Fourth World, will take place on Friday, 17 October 2003, from 10.30 to 11.45 a.m. in the United Nations Garden. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, will deliver the Secretary-General's message for the occasion. Members of permanent missions, United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Felice Llamas, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-2924); or Mr. Rolando Gómez, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-2744).

Web sites

President of the General Assembly:
www.un.org/ga/president

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 15 October 2003.

Symbol	Main title
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A/58/PV.9	Meeting held on 24 September 2003, 10 a.m. [A]
A/58/PV.11	Meeting held on 25 September 2003, 10 a.m. [E]
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/251/Add.1	Agenda of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/58/252/Add.1	Allocation of agenda items for the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/58/260	Item 22 of the provisional agenda — Assistance in mine action — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/387	Item 20 — Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies — Letter dated 18 September 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Mongolia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/395/Corr.1	Item 59 — Strengthening the United Nations: an agenda for further change — Improvements to the current process of planning and budgeting — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/400	Item 121 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Additional expenditures deriving from inflation and currency fluctuations — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/428 S/2003/983	Item 10 — Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization — Identical letters dated 7 October 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/58/429 S/2003/982	Items 117 (a) and (b) — Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Letter dated 9 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/L.1	Item 12 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Draft resolution submitted by the President of the General Assembly — Open-ended panel of the General Assembly on commodities [A C E F R S]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

A/C.4/58/INF/2 — Membership of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S (multilingual)]

Second Committee

A/C.2/58/3 — Items 91 (c) and (f) — Macroeconomic policy questions: specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries; outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation — Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/58/L.12 — Item 106 — Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family — Benin: amendments to the draft resolution recommended by the Economic and Social Council (A/C.3/58/L.2) — "Preparations for the observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family in 2004" [A C E F R S]

Sixth Committee

A/C.6/58/L.10 — Item 156 — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Report of the Working Group [A C E F R S]

Tenth emergency special session

A/ES-10/241
S/2003/990 — Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Identical letters dated 13 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Security Council — **Documents**

S/2003/953 — Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2003/955 — Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2003/956 — Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2003/980 — Guinea, Malaysia, Pakistan and Syrian Arab Republic: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/58/429
S/2003/982 — Letter dated 9 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/58/428 S/2003/983	Identical letters dated 7 October 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/ES-10/241 S/2003/990	Identical letters dated 13 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/995	Letter dated 14 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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S/Agenda/4842	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

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S/AC.37/2003/(1455)/70	Note verbale dated 12 September 2003 from the Permanent Mission of Iceland to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]
S/AC.37/2003/(1455)/72	Note verbale dated 19 September 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]
S/AC.37/2003/(1455)/74	Note verbale dated 29 September 2003 from the Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

ST/IC/2003/55	Information circular — First day of issue – 24 October 2003: "World Heritage – U.S.A." stamps and prestige booklets; "In Memoriam" definitive stamps and special folder; and 2003 annual collection folders [E F (only)]

Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Eleventh meeting

ST/SG/AC.8/2003/L.5	Financial taxation and equity market development: optimal financial market tax policies for developing countries [E F S (only)]

Communications to the Editor

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Friday, 17 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 1st meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 3

Open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, chaired by the President of the General Assembly [An Informal Note by the President of the General Assembly was faxed to all missions on Wednesday, 15 October 2003. Delegations are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level.]

3 p.m. . . . . 36th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters . . . . . [56]
2. Report of the Security Council (A/58/2): assessment by the President of the General Assembly of the debate, in accordance to General Assembly resolution 51/241 of 31 July 1997 . . . . . [11]

General Assembly

Tenth emergency special session

The resumed tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly will be held on Monday, 20 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall (see p. 8).

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Main Committees

First Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Informal exchange of views on the methods of work of the First Committee

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 10th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [85]

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 14th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Sectoral policy questions: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin . . . . . [92]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.2

Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006). . . . . [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.3

Environment and sustainable development (A/58/25, A/58/204) . . . . . [94]

(a) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005 (A/58/164)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa (A/58/158)

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity (A/58/191)

(e) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (A/58/277)

(f) Protection of the Global Climate for present and future generations of mankind (A/58/308)

(g) Sustainable mountain development (A/58/134)

Conclusion of general discussion

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 15th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women (A/58/3, A/58/38 (Supplement No. 38), A/58/161, A/58/167, A/58/167/Add.1, A/58/168, A/58/169, A/58/374, A/58/341 and A/58/417) . . . . [110]

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" (A/58/3 and A/58/166) [111]

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

3–6 p.m. . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/58/184, A/58/272, A/58/282, A/58/328, A/58/329 and A/58/420) . . . . . [113]

Introductory statements, dialogue with senior officials and general discussion

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Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m . . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/58/11, A/58/63, A/56/767 and A/58/189))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 125 (Pattern of conferences (A/58/32, A/58/194, A/58/194/Corr.1, A/58/194/Corr.2, A/58/213, A/57/783, A/57/809, A/58/7, A/58/7/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.1))

Sixth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (A/58/37, A/58/37/Corr.1, A/58/116, A/58/116/Add.1, A/58/78-S/2003/541, A/58/94-S/2003/642, A/58/131-S/2003/703, A/58/271-S/2003/808, A/58/302, A/58/315-S/2003/845, A/58/361-S/2003/877, A/58/390-S/2003/916, A/58/424-S/2003/972, A/58/425-S/2003/976 and A/C.6/58/L.10) [156]

Working Group on the Scope of Legal Protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting (closed) . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Adoption of the report of the Working Group (A/C.6/58/WG.3/CRP.1) (A/58/52, A/58/187, A/58/302)

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[1] Following the adjournment of the 7th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [agenda item 104 (b)]
(29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

All delegations wishing to participate, including those already inscribed, in any of eight ministerial-level round tables, to be held on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe the name of the participating Minister or the Head of delegation on the list of participants in round tables on the following themes:

Round tables 1 and 2 (morning): *"Regional dimensions of the implementation of the results of the International Conference on Financing for Development"*

Round tables 3 and 4 (morning): *"Coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development"*

Round tables 5 and 6 (afternoon): *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the achievement of internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration"*

Round tables 7 and 8 (afternoon): *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the promotion of sustainable development, sustained economic growth and the eradication of poverty with a view to achieving an equitable global economic system"*.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables.

Inscriptions by institutional and non-institutional stakeholders

Each round table will also include the following accredited participants: 5 representatives of observers in the General Assembly, entities of the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations other than observers; 3 representatives of civil society; and 3 representatives of the private sector. Their distribution in the round tables will follow the practice used in the International Conference on Financing for Development. For information and inscriptions, please contact the Financing for Development Office (e-mail ffdoffice@un.org; Web site www.un.org/esa/ffd).

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Draft reports
2. Discussion on the salary and retirement allowance of the Secretary-General and the salary pensionable remuneration of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)

10–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 8

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Friday, 17 October 2003

Open-ended informal consultations on draft resolution on the implementation of the world programme of action concerning disabled persons: towards a society for all in the twenty-first century (agenda item 106) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Philippines)

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(on agenda items 93 (a), (b) and (c) and 91 (e); and the Almaty Programme of Action)*

10.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Group of 77 *(on environment and sustainable development issues)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Iceland)

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Enhancing capacity-building of global public health" (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women" (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal (agenda item 23) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Greece)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnership" (agenda item 46) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

11 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Iceland)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Caribbean Community *(on Second Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Open-ended informal consultations on draft resolutions on the preparation for and observance of the International Year of the Family and on the importance of the guidance and the role of parents in the care, control and development of children (agenda item 106) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Benin)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Panel discussion on NPT States parties reporting (First Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the global road safety crisis (organized by the Permanent Mission of Oman)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly" (agenda item 105) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Briefing on UNCTAD new technical cooperation programme

The New York Office of UNCTAD will hold a briefing on its new technical cooperation programme *today*, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

World Bank seminar on "A Dialogue on Development and Communication"

There will be a seminar on "A Dialogue on Development and Communication", organized by the World Bank, *today*, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. A presentation will be made by Dr. Ian Goldin, Vice-President for External Affairs and United Nations Affairs, World Bank. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Office of the Special Representative to the United Nations, World Bank (tel. 1 (212) 355-5112; fax 1 (212) 355-4523).

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Friday, 17 October 2003

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Dileep Nair, Under-Secretary-General for Oversight Services (to present the annual report of the Office of the Internal Oversight Services (A/58/364))

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 20 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 37th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/58/356/Add.1) . . . . . [8 and 125]
2. Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/58/3, Part I) . . . . . [12]
3. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/344) [40 (a) to (e)]: *joint debate*
   - (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/89, A/58/434)
   - (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: reports of the Secretary-General (A/58/133, A/58/224, A/58/225, A/58/273, A/58/280, A/58/285, A/58/286, A/58/358)
   - (c) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/332)
   - (d) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/320)
   - (e) Assistance to the Palestinian people: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/88 and A/58/88/Corr.1)

Tenth emergency special session

3 p.m. . . . . 21st plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory . . . . . [5]

Second Committee

Panel discussion

As part of the work of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly in the economic and social fields, there will be a panel discussion on "Microcredit, Poverty Eradication and the Empowerment of Women", organized by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 23 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include H.E. Mrs. María Eugenia Brizuela de Ávila, Minister for Foreign Affairs of El Salvador; Mr. Anwarul K. Chowdhury, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States; Mr. Rupert Scofield, Executive Director of the Foundation for International Community Assistance (FINCA); Mr. Normand Lauzon, Executive Director of United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF); and Mr. René Azokli, Managing Director of PADME.

Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4201; or e-mail ecosocinfo@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session 2003

There will be a meeting of the resumed substantive session 2003, on Friday, 31 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council, on the following outstanding matters before the resumed substantive session 2003:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/2003/104 and E/2003/105[1]) [1]

   Elections[2]:

   Commission on Science and Technology for Development

   Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

   United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (E/2003/L.3/Add.13)

   Committee for the United Nations Population Award

   Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

   Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

   International Narcotics Control Board (E/2003/L.3/Add.12)

2. Regional cooperation (E/2003/15/Add.2)[1] . . . . . [10]

3. Economic and environmental questions. . . . . [13]

   (h) International cooperation in tax matters

   (i) United Nations Forum on Forests (E/2003/42)

[1] To be issued.

[2] For additional information on elections, please contact Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973).

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Monday, 20 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 9, under the chairmanship of H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke (Barbados).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Monday, 20 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (agenda item 117 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (agenda item 117 (a)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, on Monday, 20 October 2003, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)* on 21 and 28 October 2003 from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Presentation of the results of evaluations on bilateral participation in PRSP processes

There will be a presentation of the results of evaluations on bilateral participation in Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers (PRSP) processes, organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany and Switzerland, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room B. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion on international cooperation in tax matters

There will be a panel discussion on international cooperation in tax matters, organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Abdel H. Bouab, Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8406); or Mr. Masa Ohyama (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695).

Informal briefing on the draft resolution entitled "Creation of a global culture of cybersecurity" (agenda item 91 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

There will be an informal briefing on the draft resolution entitled "Creation of a global culture of cybersecurity" (agenda item 91 (b)), organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room C. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Pacific Islands Forum: Working Group on Oceans *(Sixth Committee experts)*

The Working Group on Oceans of the Pacific Islands Forum *(Sixth Committee experts)* will hold a meeting on Wednesday, 22 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Symposia on population and development

The Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Office of the Permanent Observer of Partners in Population and Development to the United Nations are jointly organizing four symposia, to be held at Headquarters, as follows:

Symposium I on "Population and the Millennium Development Goals": Wednesday, 22 October 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m, in a conference room to be announced;

Symposium II on "Family Planning, Reproductive Health and Development": Monday, 3 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium;

Symposium III on "Empowerment of Women": Monday, 10 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium; and

Symposium IV on "Population and HIV/AIDS": Wednesday, 19 November, from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend [For further information: tel. 1 (212) 457-1828; e-mail rgarvey@ppdsec.org].

Panel discussion on microcredit

There will be a panel discussion on microcredit, co-organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Microcredit Summit Campaign, on the occasion of the release of the *State of the Microcredit Summit Campaign Report*, on Monday, 3 November 2003, from 1 to 2.15 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Carol Sakubita (tel. 1 (917) 367-5710).

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 3 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 4 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 5 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 29 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the NAM Caucus Room.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 15 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

Third Committee

11th meeting

Advancement of women . . . . . [110]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000, gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" . . . . . [111]

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items and heard introductory statements by the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women, the Executive Director of UNIFEM and the Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).

Following the introductory statements, a dialogue ensued in which the following representatives intervened: Italy, Singapore, Canada, Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, Afghanistan, Peru, Croatia and Spain, as well as the observer for Palestine.

Statements were made by the representatives of Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries –Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey), Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), China, Brazil, Malawi (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)) and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

12th meeting

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 110 and 111 and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa, Norway, Egypt, Ukraine (on behalf of the (GUUAM), Indonesia, the United States, Oman, Canada, the Sudan, Argentina, Japan, Singapore, Venezuela, the United Republic of Tanzania, the United Arab Emirates, the Russian Federation, Ecuador, Qatar and Croatia.

The representative of the World Bank made a statement.

The representative of the International Fund for Agricultural Development also made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and the International Committee of the Red Cross and the World Bank.

Thursday, 16 October 2003

Security Council

4844th meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2003/992, submitted by Cameroon, Spain, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2003/992) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2003/992) received 15 votes in favour, none against, no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1511 (2003).

Following the vote, the Secretary-General made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Germany, France, the United Kingdom, China, Pakistan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Spain, Bulgaria and Chile, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

4845th meeting

Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, India, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Peru, South Africa, Switzerland, Uganda and Yemen, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Inocencio Arias, Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by His Excellency Mr. Inocencio Arias.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cameroon, Chile, Bulgaria, Guinea, the United Kingdom and Germany.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representatives of France, the Syrian Arab Republic, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Angola, Mexico, China and Spain, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Yemen, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Switzerland, Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, as well as the EFTA country member of the EEA, Iceland, which aligned themselves with the statement), Uganda, Japan, Israel, Colombia, India, Azerbaijan, Liechtenstein, Indonesia, South Africa, Kazakhstan, Brazil, Ecuador, Armenia and Lebanon.

The representative of Pakistan made a further statement.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2003/17).

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

34th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/58/432) . . . . . [124]

Under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the report of the Fifth Committee which was before the Assembly.

The Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/58/432) (resolution 58/1).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of item 124.

Report of the Economic and Social Council: draft resolution (A/58/L.1) . . . . . [12]

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/58/L.1 (resolution 58/2).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of item 12.

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [39 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*

(a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/254)

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General on proposed revisions to programme 8 of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005: United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (A/58/83)

(iii) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III section B, programme 8, chapter IV, section B)

(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (b).

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico and Ghana, as well as by H.E. The Honourable Amos Wako, Attorney-General of Kenya, and by the representatives of Pakistan, Ethiopia, Benin, Senegal, Burundi, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Eritrea, Indonesia, Canada, Zimbabwe, China and Haiti.

35th plenary meeting

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [39 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*

(a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support

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(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (b).

Statements were made by the representatives of Rwanda, Fiji, the Sudan, Malaysia, the Philippines, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Australia, Mauritius, Kuwait, Equatorial Guinea and Nepal.

In accordance with the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 32nd plenary meeting, on 15 October 2003, the observer of the Holy See made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 2011 of the twentieth session of 11 October 1965 and decision 56/475 of 15 August 2002, the observer of the African Union made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 33/18 of 10 November 1978 and decision 53/453 of 18 December 1998, the observer of the International Organization of la Francophonie made a statement.

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration on agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (b).

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters . . . . . [56]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 56.

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand, Uruguay and Ireland.

Main Committees

First Committee

10th meeting

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements made by the representatives of Bulgaria, Haiti and Somalia.

A statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

9th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [85]

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Australia, South Africa (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Peru (on behalf of the RIO Group), Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, and the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area, Iceland and Liechtenstein), Canada, Jordan, New Zealand (on behalf of the Pacific Islands Forum Group), the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Ghana, Algeria, the Russian Federation, Norway, Lebanon Tunisia and Ukraine.

The Committee decided to continue its general debate on this item the following day, at 10 a.m.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples . . . . . [19]

Question of Western Sahara

Following a statement by the Chairman, the Committee decided to consider, in English only, the draft resolution relating to the question of Western Sahara proposed by the Chairman (A/C.4/58/L.6), and to waive the 24-hour rule (120 of the rules of procedure) to take action on the proposal. The Committee then decided to replace draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.4 with draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.6.

A statement was made by the representative of Honduras.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.6, as orally revised, without a vote.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries – Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania; Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries – Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, as well as the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area, Iceland and Norway), Morocco and Algeria.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 19.

Second Committee

12th meeting

Environment and sustainable development . . . . . [94]

(a) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme (1996-2005)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity

(e) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

(f) Protection of the Global Climate for present and future generations of mankind

(g) Sustainable mountain development

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (under sub-item (f)), the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (under sub-item (c)), the Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator of the Office for the Coordinator of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (under sub-item (e)), and the Deputy Chief of the Energy and Transport Branch of the Division for Sustainable Development of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs (under sub-item (a)).

Introductory statements were also made by the Director of the Liaison Office in New York of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (sub-item (g)) and the Director of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme.

A statement was made by the Director of the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Land-locked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States.

Questions were raised by the representatives of Antigua and Barbuda and the Islamic Republic of Iran, to which responses were made by the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Director of the New York Office of the

United Nations Environment Programme, the Deputy Chief of the Energy and Transport Branch of the Division for Sustainable Development of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs and the representative of the Office for the Coordinator of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs.

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), New Zealand (on behalf of the Pacific Islands Forum), China, the Russian Federation, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Brazil and Venezuela.

Deadline for submission of draft proposals

At the request of the representative of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Committee approved an extension of the deadline for submission of draft proposals under items 93 (a), (b) and (c) and 97 (a) to Monday 20 October at 6 p.m.

13th meeting

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda item 94.

Statements were made by the representatives Mexico, Croatia, Kenya, Iceland, the Islamic republic of Iran, Algeria, Oman, Namibia (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)), the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, India, Benin, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Burkina Faso, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Ecuador (on behalf of the Andean Community) and the United Arab Emirates.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

The representative of the International Fund for Agricultural Development made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the World Bank.

Deadline for submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for submission of draft proposals under agenda item 94 and sub-items (a) to (g) was Monday, 20 October, at 6 p.m.

Third Committee

13th meeting

Advancement of women . . . . . [110]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000, gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" . . . . . [111]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Peru, Iceland, Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Cuba, Burkina Faso, the Netherlands, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Bahrain, the Bahamas, Bangladesh, Jordan, Mozambique, Yemen, Pakistan and Chile.

A statement was also made by the observer for Palestine.

The representative of the International Organization for Migration made a statement.

The representative of the International Labour Organization also made a statement.

14th meeting

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 110 and 111 and heard statements by the representatives of Lebanon, Algeria, Senegal, the Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan, San Marino, Kuwait, Jamaica, Turkey, Nigeria, the Dominican Republic, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Eritrea, Guatemala, Thailand, Azerbaijan, Malaysia, Botswana, Colombia and Cape Verde.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representative of Israel, the observer for Palestine and the representatives of Japan and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

219th meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Consideration and adoption of the draft report of the Committee (A/AC.154/2003/CRP.1)

The Chairman made a statement.

The Rapporteur introduced the draft report

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Cyprus and Mali.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Secretary made a statement.

The draft report was then adopted by the Committee.

The Chairman made a statement.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Preparatory Committee for UNCTAD XI
First session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Thursday, 16 October 2003

2nd meeting

The Preparatory Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of the following countries: Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), as well as the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, which aligned themselves with the statement), United States, Bulgaria (on behalf of Group D), India and Cuba.

3rd meeting

The host country (Brazil) for the eleventh session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development made a presentation. Statements were made by H.E. Mr. De Seixas Correa (Brazil); Mr. Kjeld Jacobsen, Secretary for International Relations of the São Paulo City Hall; and H.E. Ms. Leonilda Alves Correa, Minister, National Coordinator of the Working Group for UNCTAD XI, Ministry of External Relations of Brazil.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, and III). Geneva, 10 October 1980

Acceptance: Chile (15 October 2003)[1]

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996

Consent to be bound: Chile (15 October 2003)[1]

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995

Consent to be bound: Chile (15 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

Ceremony on the occasion of 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger"

There will be a special ceremony on the occasion of the 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger", organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), *today* 17 October 2003, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-6036 or 963-6319).

Ceremony on the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

On the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, a commemoration, organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the International Movement ATD Fourth World, will take place *today*, 17 October 2003, from 10.30 to 11.45 a.m. in the United Nations Garden. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, will deliver the Secretary-General's message for the occasion. Members of permanent missions, United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Felice Llamas, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-2924); or Mr. Rolando Gómez, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-2744).

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. H.E. Mr. Julian Robert Hunte, President of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly, will be the speaker.

Web sites

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Security Council:
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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373
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Economic and Social Council:
www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc

Italian presidency of the European Union:
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www.un.org/Docs/journal/Ar/latesta.pdf
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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 16 October 2003.

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A/58/PV.10	Meeting held on 24 September 2003, 3 p.m. [C]

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A/58/251/Corr.1	Agenda of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/58/252/Corr.1	Allocation of agenda items for the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/58/431	Item 14 — Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency — Letter dated 8 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/432	Item 124 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/58/433 S/2003/991	Item 30 — Question of Cyprus — Letter dated 10 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

First Committee

A/C.1/58/L.3	Item 68 — Russian Federation: draft resolution — Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security [A C E F R S]
A/C.1/58/L.4	Item 73 (m) — General and complete disarmament — 4-Power draft resolution — Missiles [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

A/C.2/58/L.2	Item 92 — Sectoral policy questions: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin — Morocco: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/58/L.13	Item 108 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — Rwanda: draft resolution — United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders [A C E F R S]

Tenth emergency special session

A/ES-10/242	Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Letter dated 15 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/ES-10/243	Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Letter dated 15 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2003/957	Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/958	Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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